(b) if so, what are the reasons thereof;

(c) how much amount has been spent on the project;

(d) whether any responsibility has been fixed for the lapse; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION & DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) :(a) and (b) The Bureau for Promotion of Urdu has brought out an Urdu-Urdu dictionary, sale of which has been stopped due to some discrepancies.

(c) An amount of Rs. 2,21,302/- has been incurred on this project.

(d) and (e) A Review Committee was set up to look into the matter. The report of the Chairman of the Committee has been received and the same is under examination.

Executive Council of Universities

5124. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there are more non-academics than adcademics in the syndicates and executive councils of the various universities of the country at present;

(b) if so, details in regard to each university; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government proposed to change its thinking in this regard, if so when ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Examination to the grade of Geologist held by UPSC

5125. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY : Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the UPSC has been holding competitive examination to the grade of Geologists during the years 1991-92 and 1993 and panels of successful candidates prepared accordingly;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a number of successful candidates including those belonging to SC/ST were brought on the panels for the years 1991 and 1992;

(c) what are the reasons for not providing appointment to those already empanels and holding annual examinations without clearing the backlogs by suitably absorbing the selected candidates; and

(d) what action Government contemplate in respect of the candiates selected during 1991-92 examinations and have become overaged due to non-absorption ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV) : (a) and (b) A competitive examination namely Geologist's examination is conducted every year by UPSC and on its recommendation candidates are appointed to the posts of Geologist (Jr.) and Asst. Geologist in Geological Survey of India subject to medical fitness and verification of character and antecedents. The recommendations for the 1991 and 1992 examinations have been received from UPSC. For the 1993 examination UPSC is yet to recommend the candidates. The candidates recommended by UPSC on the basis of 1991 & 1992 examination also include candidates belonging to SC/ST category as per existing Govt. instructions.

(c) All the candidates recommended on the basis of 1991 & 92 Geologist's examinations for appointment against the post of Geologist (Jr.) and Asst. Geologist in the Geological Survey of India, who have been found fit after medical examination and verification of character and antecedents have already been offered appointment in Geological Survey of India. A few candidates whose pre-appointment formalities, i.e. medical re-examination and verification of character and antecedents have not been completed are yet to receive offers of appointment.

(d) Does not arise as all recommended candiadtes will be offered appointment if found fit after medical examination and verification of character and antecedents.